Sgt. 1st Class Roy Shaw

U.S. Army Special Operations Parachute Demonstration Team The Black Daggers

Sgt. 1st Class Roy S. Shaw II was born in Sierra Vista, Arizona. He graduated Summa Cum Laude from Norwich University in September 2020 and has a Bachelor's degree in Strategic Studies and Defense Analysis. He enlisted in the U.S. Army on August 8th, 2008, attending Basic Combat Training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri where he earned the Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) of 88M, Motor Transport Operator. In April, 2015 he graduated from the Psychological Operations Qualification Course and was awarded the 37F MOS of Psychological Operations Specialist.

Sgt. 1st Class Shaw's past assignments are: In 2009, he was assigned to A Co, 704th Brigade Support 4th BDE, 4th ID located at Fort Carson, Colorado. In 2010, he was assigned to 515th Transportation Company, 391st CSSB located at Mannheim, Germany and later relocated to Baumholder, Germany. From June 2014 to April 2015 he attended the Psychological Operations Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Following the POCQ graduation, he was assigned to B Co, 7th Psychological Operations Battalion (Airborne) as a Psychological Operations Sergeant from October 2015 to November 2019 and was then assigned to 9th POB (A) as a Team Chief and Schools NCO until June 2020.

Presently, Sgt. 1st Class Shaw is assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, U.S. Army Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, as a full-time member of the USASOC Black Daggers Recruiting Support Detachment and Parachute Demonstration Team.

Sgt. 1st Class Shaw's past deployments include: Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom from June 2009 through May 2010, and from November 2011 through November 2012. He also served three deployments with the 7th Psychological Operations Battalion (Airborne) as a Psychological Operations Sergeant in Qatar from January 2016 through May 2016 in support of Special Operations Command Central, and as a Psychological Operations Team leader in various countries in support of the Join Special Operations Command.

His military education includes the Warrior Leaders Course, Hazardous Materials Driver Instruction, the Psychological Operations Assessment and Selection Course, Basic Airborne Course, Psychological Operations Specialist Course, Special Operations Language Training – (Indonesian and French), Advanced Leaders Course, Mobile Force Protection, OPSEC Program Managers Course, Advanced Conceal Carry Course, Air Assault, SOF Sensitive Site Exploitation, Special Warfare Brighton, Special Operations Command Static Line Jump Master Course, Information Operations Integration – Cyber

Course, Special Forces Network Development, Army Cyberspace Operations Planner and the Psychological Operations Senior Leaders Course.

Sgt. 1st Class Shaw's awards and decorations include, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (2 OLC), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal (3 OLC), Good Conduct Medal (4th Award), National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with three campaign stars, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon with numeral three, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Ribbon with numeral 5, NATO Medal, Certificate of Achievement, Combat Action Badge, Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Expert Marksmanship Qualification Badge, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Valorous Unit Award and Meritorious Unit Citation.